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TAGS: CASC MX (SCHANZ, RICHARD LEWIS)

SUBJECT: W/W REVIEW CASES OF ALL AMCIT PRISONERS

REF: STATE 194199 & 230071

1. DENIAL OF CONSULAR ACCESS - PER POST FILES MEXICAN OFFICIALS NOTIFIED POST THROUGH DEA AGENTS ON MAY 11, 1974 THAT SCHANZ HAD BEEN ARRESTED ON SAME DAY. CONOFF ATTEMPTED TO SEE SCHANZ ON MAY 15, 1974 AND WAS DENIED PERMISSION TO DO SO. ON MAY 17, 1974 CONOFF WAS ALLOWED TO SPEAK TO SCHANZ. POST LOOKS TO EMBASSY TO REACH A SATISFACTORY AGREEMENT WITH THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT REGARDING EARLY CONSULAR ACCESS.

2. ALLEGATION OF ABUSE AT TIME OF ARREST - PER POST FILES, SCHANZ ALLEGED AT TIME OF FIRST CONOFF VISIT OF MAY 17, 1974 THAT HE WAS SEVERELY BEATEN WITH A CATTLE PROD (AT TIME OF ARREST), ALONG WITH HIS COMPANION, SACRAMENTO PEREZ. SCHANZ REPEATED ALLEGATION ON JUNE 11, 1975, ADDING THE STATEMENT THAT TWO HERMOSILLO DEA AGENTS WITNESSED THE ALLEGED TORTURE. SCHANZ ALSO INFORMED CONOFF AT THIS TIME THAT HE HAD SENT INFORMATION ON THE ALLEGED TORTURE TO STARK COMMITTEE. CONOFF TOLD SCHANZ TO PUT ALLEGATIONS IN WRITING SO FORMAL PROTEST COULD BE MADE. ON JULY 10, 1975, SCHANZ SAID HE WOULD PUT COMPLAINT IN WRITING. CONOFF HAS YET TO RECEIVE WRITTEN ALLEGATION. NO POST ACTION APPEARS FEASIBLE UNTIL WRITTEN ALLEGATION IS RECEIVED.

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3. CONOFF VISITATION - PER POST FILES, SCHANZ WAS VISITED  
MAY 17, 1974, JUNE 11, 1975, JULY 10, AND SEPTEMBER 17.  
CONOFF VISITS PRISONS MONTHLY AND SCHANZ HAS ONLY APPEARED  
FOR INTERVIEW ON ABOVE LISTED OCCASIONS, FILES SHOW THAT  
SCHANZ HAS NO COMPLAINTS ABOUT FREQUENCY OF VISITATION.  
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